

# JOIN TODAY!

The success of the Neighborhood Watch depends on alert neighbors who recognize and report crime and disorder.

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"A strong partnership between neighbors and our Police Department is the best way to keep Lansing safe. Neighborhood Watch makes it happen!"

Chief Mike Yankowski



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Virg Bernero, Mayor

## WHAT IS THE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM?

Neighborhood Watch is a crime prevention program which enlists neighbors in cooperation with the Lansing Police Department to reduce crime, solve problems, and improve the quality of life in their areas. Neighbors make a commitment to actively report crimes, disorder and other community concerns to law enforcement and other city departments. Neighborhood Watch understands that neighbors are in the best position to recognize and solve problems in their communities.



## HOW IS IT ORGANIZED?

A neighborhood watch consists of a coordinator, block captain(s) and watch members. The coordinator facilitates the group and is the liaison between LPD and the Watch. The coordinator shares information with the block captain, who is the liaison between the coordinator and the Watch members. Through systems of rapport, trust and communication, Watch members become the “eyes and ears” of the Neighborhood Watch.

## WATCH PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Neighborhood Watch signs are posted on the outside of the boundaries of active Neighborhood Watch areas
- The Neighborhood Watch Advisory Board is a supporting mechanism that has the experience and knowledge to successfully guide newly formed Neighborhood Watch Groups.
- Annually, the City of Lansing sponsors a Neighborhood National Night Out during which Watch areas send a message to criminals that neighborhoods are organized. During this National Night Out, Watch areas are encouraged to host block parties, cookouts, youth programs and other community events. City Officials, Police Officers, Fire Department personnel and McGruff often visit these parties.



## CRIME MAPPING

Crime mapping is the department's tool for reducing crime through a better informed citizenry. Through crime mapping, community members have the ability to discern crime trends in neighborhoods. This is a free web-based service which further provides citizens the ability to receive e-mail and text alerts concerning neighborhood crime.



## GETTING STARTED

1. Talk with your neighbors and generate interest
2. Contact your Community Service Officer:

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